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**FLOW CONTROL SUCTION  
BARRIER APPARATUS AND SYSTEM**

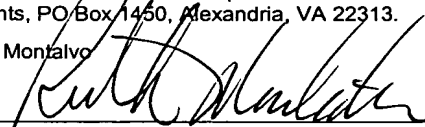
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2004, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be entered and the accompanying remarks be considered. The one (1) month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire February 22, 2004. Therefore, a petition for and the requisite fee for a one-month extension of time are filed herewith. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper. **Amendments to the Drawings** appear on page 9 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes. **Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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